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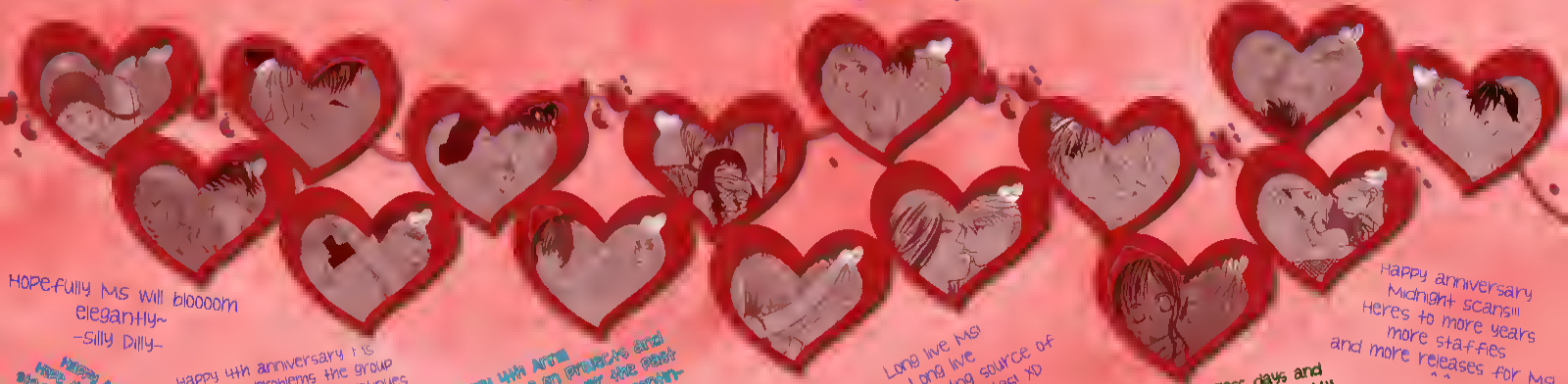
Happy 4th Anniversary, Midnight Scans!!!

Hey, y'all, it's MS's 4th, long overdue anniversary!
First thing, I gotta apologize for the tardiness!!
Life is seriously unimaginable when you are a teacher/student and worst,
this year's real life has really impacted the staffs one by one. It's been crazy here.
We keep losing staffs -not to ortiz's whipping- but to RL...
Thanks to all the fangurls who has been with us thick and through. Yourve been awesome!!
Especially the ones who really tried their best not to pound on us about our projects...thanks for being super-patient with us. That is the best love yourve given us!!
To all the staffs (specially the old ones), muchos gracias, super thanks to you guys for still sticking with MS, especially since you see me going poof on and off and even missing for a few months.
Hope you all will enjoy the Anni releases; I tried my best to get it all out this December :D



HOPE-fully MS Will blooooom elegantly~
-Silly Dilly-

Happy Anni
Hope that all the staffs stay healthy and thanks to all the readers for the support
-Jinwin-

Happy 4th anniversary ! :D
Despite the problems the group had over the years MS continues surviving and moving forward!
More years to come for MS!
- cheeno

Happy 4th Anni
It's been great working on projects and working with all the staff over the past couple of years. Hope-fully we can continue to have fun working together for many more years to come~ And thanks to all the readers who think us for our hard work. It's deanniey appreciated
- Tenchi

Long live MS!
Long live
my never-ending source of Ohmi Tommy goodies! XD
kisses
-aneihm-

Another year of sleepless days and nights should voodoo dolls and an itchy pushing herself and us past the bounds of sanity...so a pretty typical year at MS.
(if you think the MAS stand for Midnight scans.
you're sorely mistaken.)
- megaera

Happy anniversary Midnight scans!!!
Heres to more years more staffies and more releases for MS!
^ ^
~Err~

I wish for more fantastic ever addicting manga and a super fun new year!
-panpanch-

Happy Birthday MS!
moar smut to come!
-ayachan-

Joining MS was the best decision ever! I got to meet all these amazing people and then there was the smut! I hope that this remains true still in the future! I also hope you guys enjoy the belated anniversary releases
-Twistedbesires-

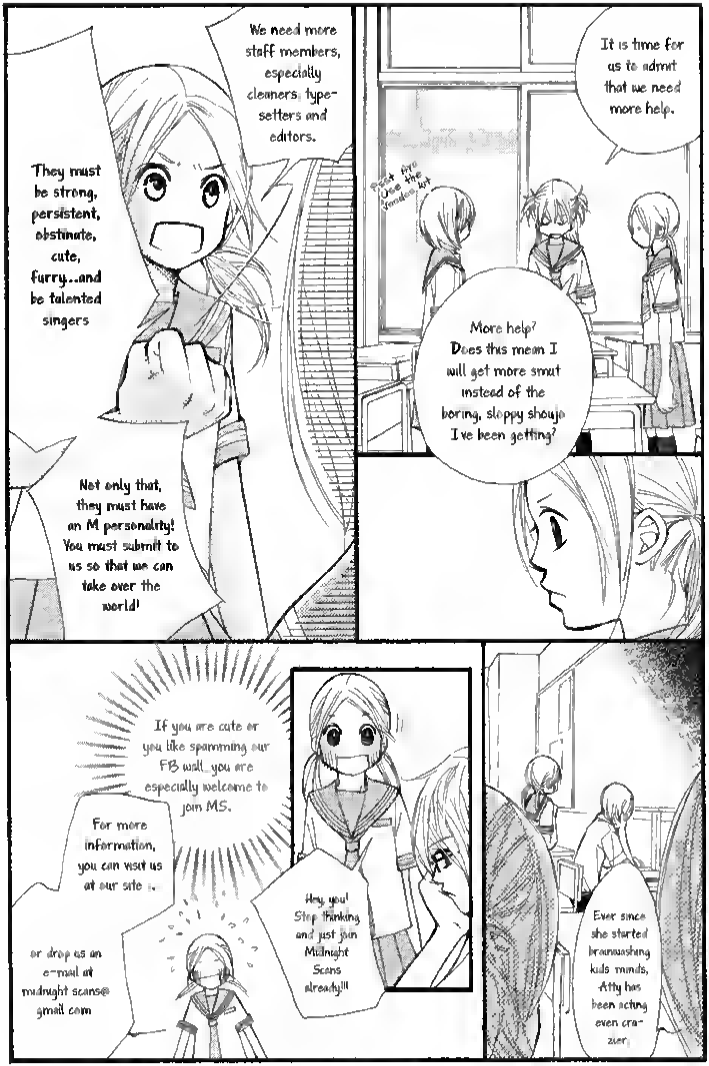
Happy birthday MS!!
Im so happy I get to be part of such an amazing group of people!
I hope I can continue to (receive) help bring you all the smut~~
fizzie365

Happy Anni!!
I wish to enjoy my smut manga while majestically riding my dinosaur into the sunset
-himeXcherry-

Yay! It's Midnight scans (MS) 4th anniversary!
Thank you to all of the staff for all of their hard work. Ahh for staffs pushing us to do our best and for all of the readers who support MS and have supported MS throughout the years!
-arenabaon-

Joining MS was one of the best decisions I ever made. I work with cool people, I translate awesome manga, and I hope I can keep translating for a very long time.
-nch-

Im very happy to be apart of this group!! Although im fairly new here I feel that ive been here longer thanks to our boss and the projects ive been bombarded with! I look forward to what projects bring next year
Love sorche

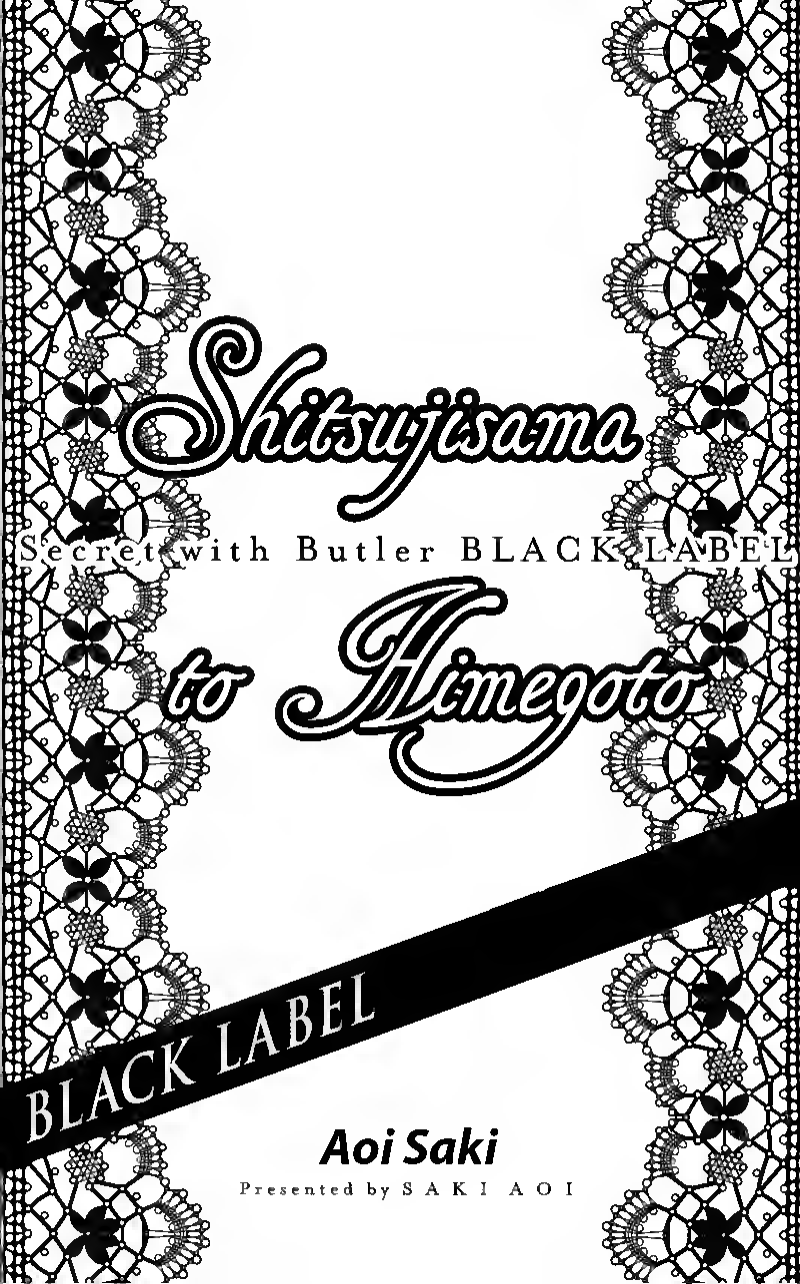

We need more staff members, especially cleaners, typesetters and editors.
They must be strong, persistent, obstinate, cute, furry...and be talented singers
Not only that, they must have an M personality! You must submit to us so that we can take over the world!
It is time for us to admit that we need more help.
Point Five: Once the Seniors left
More help? Does this mean I will get more smut instead of the boring, sloppy shoujo I've been getting?
If you are cute or you like spamming our FB wall, you are especially welcome to join MS.
For more information, you can visit us at our site :-
or drop us an e-mail at midnight scans@ gmail com
Hey, you! Stop thinking and just join Midnight Scans already!!!
Ever since she started brainwashing kids minds, Atty has been acting even crazier.

Do you love reading smut and shoujo manga but wish there were more releases? Why don't you help out?

Midnight Scans is recruiting more staff to help spread the love for smut manga to fans. Anyone willing to give us a hand, and possibly knows how to edit, translate from Japanese, or is simply able to scan certain series here and there can come apply on our recruitment page at http://www.saphirus.net/ms-site/recruitments/.

Take the matter into your own hands! The more we are, the faster we can get new releases out!!

- Midnight Scans Staff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Chapter 1 "Hot Chocolate for Adults"

The Butler's Cafe, "Secret Garden"—
WELCOME HOME, MADEMOISELLE
This is a dream space...
where handsome butlers serve you.
TH— THIS... IS...
IT IS A PROTOTYPE MODEL FOR OUR VALENTINE'S FAIR.

I'm Kobato Eri.
THEN WITHOUT DELAY, THANK YOU FOR THE ME——
BEFORE THAT,
PLEASE TRY MAKING THE BLACK TEA FOR THE FAIR FIRST
Scratch
YOU DO NOT GET TO "EAT" UNLESS YOU WORK.
As the demon butler Iwaun-san's apprentice...
Y—YES.
...I am studying about black tea here behind the scenes.
Drip
Drip
Drip
AAAH!

Touch...
Vsssh
GOOD GRIEF. YOU HAVE NOT PROGRESSED...
Sigh...
SO-SORRY...
!
BA-DUMP
With Iyuun-san
For this years' Valentine's Day...
Step Step
BLUSH
IT APPEARS THAT IS NOTHING SERIOUS
...We have a secret relationship that is... more than as a student and teacher

...I plan on challenging myself...
to make homemade chocolate for Ijuuin-san!
Love
WELCOME HOME, MADEMOISELLE
Chatter
Chatter
Chatter
WOW... WHO IS THAT GIRL...?
SHE'S REALLY CUTE!!

Chatter
Chatter
?!
YOU ARE PERFECT!!
Dead...
IT'S A SUPER BEAUTIFUL GIRL..
WHAT'S WRONG?
OH.
PLEASE...
BE MY LOVER!!
TH- THAT SORT OF JOKE IS...
NO, I AM SERIOUS.
UNTIL YOU SAY YES, I WILL NOT GO HOME.

DEAR ME.
IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE HAD TO ARREST SOMEONE AT THIS MANSION
Break Room
Now this way, mademoiselle.
HOW EMBARRASSING...
.....
WELL THEN, MADEMOISELLE, IT IS ABOUT TIME TO RETIRE
NO WAY! I DO NOT WANT THAT
IF THAT'S THE CASE,
THEN HOW ABOUT YOU BECOME IJUUIN'S "APPRENTICE"?
!?
SINCE I WANTED A HAND AT THE KITCHEN FOR BEFORE VALENTINE'S...
UM ..WHAT WOULD BEING AN APPRENTICE BE SPECIFICALLY ..?
WITH IJUUIN'S ONE-ON-ONE GUIDANCE, YOU WILL MAKE BLACK TEA
!!

SO THEN,
BY THE HEAD BUTLER'S ORDERS, YOU WILL START WORKING HERE STARTING TODAY.
I AM SETO MIYABI.
I WILL DO MY BEST AS IJUUIN-SAMA'S APPRENTICE!
IF THAT IS THE CASE,
THEN I WILL TAKE UP YOUR OFFER!!
Eh?!
OH, THERE ARE TWO APPRENTICES?
HOW OLD ARE YOU, MIYABI-SAN?
I'M 16!
OH, THAT'S ONE YEAR YOUNGER THAN ELLY!
But...
What should I do...?

I'm the one who is Ijuuin-san's lover
so without hesitation...
He didn't say that though
PL-PLEASED TO MEET YOU MIYABI-CHAN!
ASK ME ABOUT ANYTHING THAT YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!
Oho ho ho ho...
WELL THEN MIYABI-CHAN
COULD YOU TRY MAKING IT ON YOUR OWN FIRST?
Okaka ?
YES.
Swish
Swish...

I AM DONE.

THE TASTE AND THE FRAGRANCE
Oooh!
DELICIOUS!
THIS IS VERY TASTY! ♡
YOU HAVE A QUALIFYING SCORE
YOU HAVE STUDIED WELL, HAVE YOU NOT?
TH-THANK YOU VERY MUCH
The demon butler Ijuuin-san praised her!!

IF IT'S IJUUIN -SAMA,
I MIGHT EVEN BE ALL RIGHT IN GIVING HIM HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE AND MY VIRGINITY!!
SPURT!!
AS I THOUGHT, HE IS A WONDERFUL MAN
EH?
AH, YES?
I HAVE ONLY HAD CONFESSIONS FROM MEN THAT I WAS NOT INTERESTED IN UP UNTIL NOW, SO
THAT'S WHY I DECIDED THAT WHEN I FOUND THE PERFECT PERSON, I WOULD CONFESS TO HIM
Moe
Miya-tan wear this and take a picture!!
My angel!!!!
Suddenly embraced
Ambushed in the school zone
MI- MIYABI -CHAN,
THAT APPEARANCE—
Eh!!!

Oooh!!
OH, IT SUITS YOU. IT SUITS YOU! AS I THOUGHT, MY EYES WEREN'T FOOLED. ♡
M-Men are...
I GOT IT FROM SHINJOU-SAN BECAUSE HE SAID IT WAS MY UNIFORM.
BOING
BOING
Kya!
THOUGH I WOULD BE PLEASED IF IJUUIN-SAMA LIKED IT TOO.
YO, IJUUIN, HOW IS IT?
WELL,
WHETHER IT'S GOOD OR BAD, IT IS NOT RELATED TO BLACK TEA...
Gasp
Shock
BA-DUMP
BUT (THE COLOR OF THE CLOTHES, I MEAN) IT'S BRILLIANT, SO ISN'T IT FINE?

E-Even Ijuuin-san...
BY THE WAY, ABOUT THE LIMITED VALENTINE'S PAIR MENU,
I WOULD LIKE TO TALK A WOMAN TO GET A FEMALE'S POINT OF VIEW
WHAT I HAVE PUT OUT NOW ARE
CHOCOLATE FLAVORED MACAROONS ACCOMPANIED BY EARL GREY TEA.
AND GATEAU CHOCOLATE THAT IS AN ORANGE TYPE OF FLAVORED TEA
HMM...
THERE IS ONE MORE THAT I WANT TO USE, BUT...
AH... IF THAT'S THE CASE
—WITH THE NUT-TYPE CHOCOLATE, HOW ABOUT A THICK TYPE OF MILK TEA?
IF IT'S ASSAM MILK TEA, GIRLS WILL SURELY LOVE IT! ♡

ASSAM. IF WE USE THE FINE CTC* TEA LEAVES, THEN A THICKER FLAVOR SHOULD COME OUT
YES! THAT'S JUST LIKE IJUUIN -SAMA!
DON'T YOU HAVE ANYTHING, ERI-SAN?
UMM...
Ah, YOU COULD PUT SOMETHING LIKE APPLE TEA WITH THE CHOCOLATE FLAVORED MAPLE STEAM BUNS...
BUT THIS MANSION TREASURES THE IMAGE OF AN OLD ENGLISH FAMILY MANSION
THAT'S RIGHT...
Smile...
NO...
SHINE
THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU HELPED ME OUT, MIYABI-SAN.
THEN LET'S MIX THE TEA LEAVES THE WAY THAT MIYABI-SAN PLANNED.

* T.N. note: CTC= Cut, Twist, Curl or Crush, Tear, Curl. For more see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crush,_Tear,_Curl

ISN'T THAT THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SEEN SUCH A CALM IJUUIN..?
Whisper
YES..
I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK...
At this rate,
SHINJOU-SAN
OH, ERI-SAN.
YOU HAVE YOUR UNIFORM TODAY! ♡

BA-DUMP
BUT YOU SEEM TO BE A BIT PALE...
IT...IT'S YOUR IMAGINATION!
The false eyelashes are heavy...
I can't match up to Miyabi-chan, but maybe just a little...
The corset is super tight.
Illustration
MIYABI-SAN...
AND... ERI-SAN...?
Ijuuin-san!
!!
YES!
DROP

THE LIMITED TEA HAS BEEN COMPLETED, SO...
WAH IT SMELLS NICE!
YES!
GYAA!
ERI-SAN, YOUR FACE!
COULD YOU TWO TRY MAKING THIS?
ERI-SAN...
IT IS THICK AND THE TEA LEAVES HAVE CURLED WELL
THIS IS NICE, MIYAGI -SAN
I won't lose to Miyabi-chan.
All right. This time.
Drip
Drip
Drip

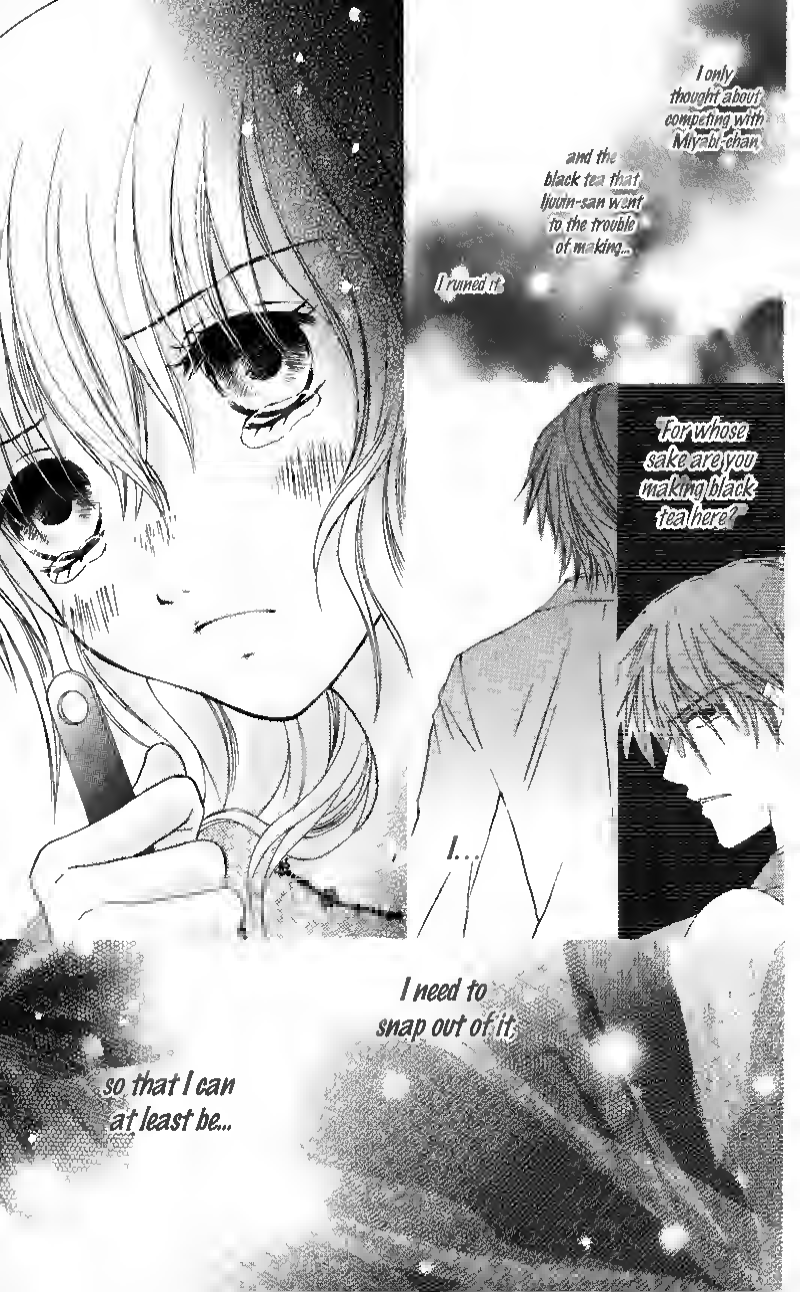
YOURS HAS QUITE AN ASTRINGENT TASTE TO IT
THE TIME TO STEAM THE CTC LEAVES IS DIFFERENT FROM NORMAL TEA LEAVES BE CAREFUL OF THAT
I'm no good...
UM, LET ME DO IT ONE MORE TIME
THIS IS ENOUGH FOR TODAY I DO NOT WANT TO WASTE THE TEA LEAVES
NO... I WILL DO IT PROPERLY NEXT TIME!
Miyabi-chan...
More than...

WAH! THE CORSET IS TIGHT..
Squeeze

SORRY!!
I...
I WILL FIX THE MIX.
I WON'T PUT OUT TODAY'S PORTION, SO I MUST APOLOGIZE TO THE MADEMOISELLES ABOUT THIS.
!
MIYABI-SAN, COULD YOU HELP ME WITH THIS?
I DID NOT PUT THE LID BACK ON PROPERLY..
SIGH

IJUUIN-SAN...
ARE YOU MAKING BLACK TEA HERE...?
FOR WHOSE SAKE
YOU ARE NOT THINKING OF ANYONE ELSE BUT YOURSELF
IF YOU ARE FINE WITH ME DOING THAT—

T/N Note: *Bloom: The chocolate's surface becomes white and hardens.


I only thought about competing with Miyabi-chan
and the black tea that Ijuuin-san went to the trouble of making...
I ruined it.
For whose sake are you making black tea here?
I...
I need to snap out of it
so that I can at least be...

On Valentine's Day...
...helpful to Injuvin-san...
THEY'RE ALMOST LIKE STORE-BOUGHT CHOCOLATE! ♡
THANKS, MIYABI-CHAN
NOW, EVERYONE!
Next is chocolate from Elly ?
Excited
OOOH! ♡
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
IT IS TIME FOR THE MADEMOISELLES TO RETURN HOME
MIYABI-CHAN...

THANK YOU!
This isn't for the sake...
of winning against Miyabi-chan
I WAS WONDERING IF YOU COULD TEACH ME THE TIME TO STEAM THIS TEA ?
YES! OF COURSE
Smile
I make black tea...
here in order to...

reach the customers...
...let the feelings that Ijouin-san puts into the leaves...
THE LIMITED SET IS SOLD OUT.

IT WAS VERY POPULAR.
YOU DID WELL,
YOU TWO.
GOOD JOB.
AH JEEZ, MY LEGS ARE EXHAUSTED
UM, EVERYONE.
THIS IS.

OH IT'S HOT CHOCOLATE?!
SWEET STUFF SPREADS THROUGHOUT THE BODY! ♡
GOOD JOB ON BRINGING IT OUT LAST, ELLY!
THANK GOODNESS!
Ijuuin-san still remained behind...
Step...
Step...
PULLS BACK
Miyabi-chan!
IJUUIN-SAMA, I HAVE SOMETHING TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT
I BEG YOU.

PLEASE TAKE ALL OF ME!!
ALONG WITH THIS CHOCOLATE.
I THINK IT'S AS IF... YOU ARE...
WONDERFUL LIKE THIS TOP GRADE *COUVERTURE CHOCOLATE.

*T/N Note: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Couverture_chocolate

NO, THAT'S— THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
Wait.
Wait.
HOWEVER...
That is...
the only thing...

MORE THAN ANYTHING, MY FAVORITE DISHES ARE MISO SOUP AND DRIED FISH
...I can't forgive!!

?
THUD
U-UM WHAT DOES THAT MEAN..?
YOU DON'T GET IT?
IT MEANS THAT I GOT...
NO APPETITE FOR SWEET GIRLS LIKE YOU,
MADEMOISELLE

I...
I...
I WILL...
BE LEAVING NOW—
Ah...
YOU'RE OUT THERE, RIGHT? COME OUT.
SHOW ME WACHA GOT HIDING BEHIND YOU
!

AS I THOUGHT, THE CHOCOLATE HAS BLOOM.
OIO YA THINK THAT YOU COULD DECEIVE ME BY MAKING THE HOT CHOCOLATE OUT OF COCOA POWDER AND WHIPPED CREAM?
I, I AT LEAST WANTED TO MAKE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE...
BUT...
COCOA
FOR IJUUIN -SAN,
EVEN IF IT WASN'T PRETTY AND EVEN IF YOU WERE GOING TO TEASE ME,
I WANTED YOU TO ACCEPT IT THE WAY IT WAS.
THEN...

Cough...
Drip...
SPLASH
!!
WHAT... ARE YOU...
Splash

I WILL...
GRATEFULLY EAT IT.

AH...
SOMEONE LIKE ME IS... LIKE DRIED... FISH...
GASP...
AND MY RESULTS ARE... BA...
AH...
GASP...
AS AN APPRENTICE WHO HAS BAD RESULTS...
Drip...

THERE IS TRAINING THAT YOU CAN GET.
Squeeze...
MM...
AH.
AH...
HEY, WHY DON'T YOU TRY SAYING WHAT YOU WANT...?
AAAH...

I... WANT...
YOU TO...
EAT MORE OF ME.

POKES OUT
MI—MIYABI-CHAN ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
Wipe Wipe
S—SORRY I SPILLED THE WHIPPED CREAM I MADE!!
ERI-SAN,
FORGET THAT SOMETHING GREAT HAPPENED. I.. I FINALLY
I MET MY FATED GENTLEMAN!!!!
♡ ♡ ♡
Slip
Splat!!
ERI-SAN!! SOMETHING GREAT HAPPENED!
WAIT. KYAAA! WHAT HAPPENED TO THIS FLOOR?!
!!!

REALLY.
I QUICKLY RETURNED FROM THE SKI LODGE AND THAT SUDDENLY HAPPENED AT THE ENTRANCE
JUST WHEN I THOUGHT THAT I'D GET SOME CHOCOLATE FROM ERI,
SUCH INCONCEIVABLE THINGS HAVE HAPPENED!
The Secret Garden's Devil Prince, Butler
Mizuki Ren
REN-SAMA!
C—COULD THAT BE..
Well,
I WAS GIVEN SOME LUXURIOUS CHOCOLATE
MIYABI-CHAN! ♡
BOWS
WELCOME HOME,
I ENDED UP COMING HERE TODAY AS WELL! ♡

ERI-SAN
THE WICKED BUTLER AND THE AIRHEADED BEAUTIFUL GIRL...? HUH...?
The Butler's Cafe, "Secret Garden"
THE ROYAL MILK TEA IS BOILING.
AH!
I feel like that the Iyuun-san during THAT time was a dream.
This is what it's like today
PEOPLE LIKE YOU REALLY ARE...
S-SORRY!

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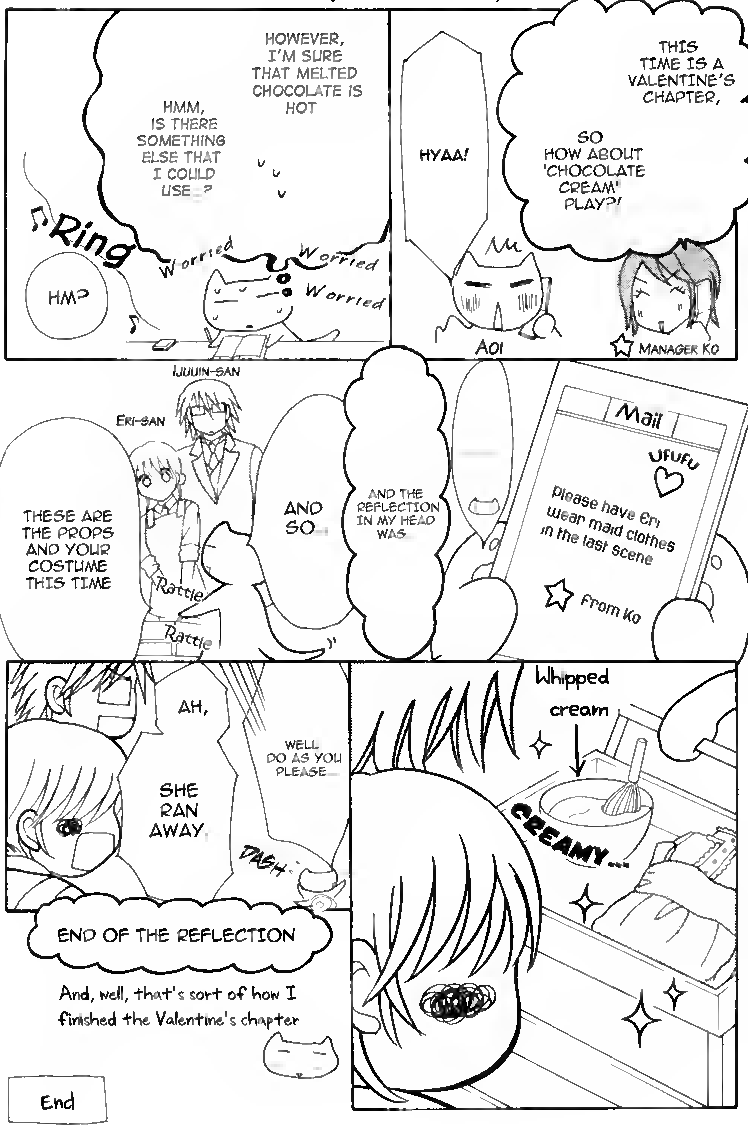

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Chapter 2 Lotus Tea Serenade

The Butler's Cafe, "Secret Garden"...
This is a dream space...
where handsome butlers serve you
I am Kobato Eri
I am studying black tea behind the scenes
A BUSINESS TRIP?!

*TN: Auberge – an inn with a restaurant attached in it

I WANT IJUUIN AND ERI-SAN TO HELP OUT BEFORE THEY OPEN.
YES. THE SECRET GARDEN'S BUSINESS ASSOCIATE GROUP IS OPENING AN *AUBERGE IN THIS AREA.
GLARE
ERI-SAN,
I WILL, WITH PLEASURE!
WILL YOU WORK UNTIL THE BITTER END ?
OF- OF COURSE I WILL.
This Demon Butler, Ijuuin-san, is my black tea master.
The truth... he is my secret lover!
And so, the (lovey-dovey) two of us will go...

...on an overnight business trip!
WOW!
Smile
Kyaa Kyaa
He looks like a prince.
WHEN THEY SAID A BUTLER, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE SOME OLD MAN BUT HE'S A HANDSOME MAN!
WELCOME TO OUR FARAWAY PLACE!
Pastry chef
Chef
Waitresses
WITH THE REOPENING, WE DEFINITELY WANT SOME ADVICE FROM THE GREATLY SUCCESSFUL SECRET GARDEN NEARBY
MY OLDER BROTHER PREVIOUSLY RAN THE INN, BUT A FEW THINGS HAPPENED.
THIS PLACE WAS ORIGINALLY AN EX-NOBLE'S MANSION

PLEASE CALL THEM LOTUS FLOWERS, ERI-SAN.
Wow!
WHAT WONDERFUL LOTUS ROOT FLOWERS!
N--NOW, LET'S SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM!
Well then, Mr. Butler will be in this room over here.
I'll be here with Ijuuin-san tonight?!
Stick Stick
Whisper..
AH, ERI-SAN.

I brought...
this with me!
"Moderate the feeling that you're on a trip"
But...
BJ-dump
BJ-dump
HM?
side...

WAH
WAS THIS OPEN?
IT'S A PRETTY KIMONO!
BA-DUMP
ERI-SAN, LET'S GO.
knock
knock

Rattle...
YES
ARE YOU STILL NOT DRESSED?!
Smile...
ERI-SAN, ARE YOU LISTENING?
Ah,
Y—YES. SORRY. I'LL BE RIGHT THERE.
?
shock
I was... sort of spacing out...
Concentrate on your job. Concentrate!

OOH! THAT SUITS THE TWO OF YOU!
SETTING ME ASIDE, WHY IS A MAID OUTFIT...?
IT'S JINJOU-SAN'S NEW PRODUCT, SO HE WANTED ME TO SEND HIM A PICTURE.
FLASH
IOUUIN-SAN...

BEEP
ALL RIGHT! IT'S SENT!
WE'RE WORK-ING...
Why even me?
THIS IS THE SWEETS MENU.
I USED LOCAL INGREDIENTS LIKE PUMPKIN AND BLACK SOY BEAN, ETC. I ARRANGED THEM IN A JAPANESE-STYLE WAY
THEN, THIS IS A TEA TO SUPPORT THE SWEETS

I THINK THAT ASSAM AND MINT TEA GO REALLY WELL WITH THE BEAN PASTE TYPE OF SWEETS.
THIS IS A CHINESE-BASED LOTUS TEA
THE LOTUSES IN THE GARDEN ARE BEAUTIFUL, SO WITH THIS IMAGE..
WELL, IT HAS A NICE SMELL!
LOTUS.
LOTUS.
CRASH
!

NO WAY—
I'M SOAKED.
Whoa!
A—ANYWAY, HURRY AND GET CHANGED.

ERI-SAN!!
!
WOBBLE
MM...
ERI-SAN!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?/ HOW DO YOU FEEL..?
MY CHEST...
HURTS..

PLEASE.
TOUCH IT.
Press...
KOBATO-SAN! HOW DO YOU FEEL?
Knock Knock
ERI-SA-
Shock
Ah!
YES.
SHS up
YOU COLLAPSED. YOU DON'T REMEMBER..?
AH..?
HUH? JUST WHAT WAS I..

My head seems sort of fuzzy...
I AM SORRY FOR CAUSING YOU TROUBLE.
DON'T MENTION IT!
AH, THANK GOOD-NESS.
I COM-PLETELY THOUGHT THAT THE USUAL GH—
IDIOT SSHH...
Mmph
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?
WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO TELL ME THE DETAILS ABOUT THAT.?
Drip
Drip
A... A GHOST?!

*T/N Lotus (hasu) is the same character as the 'ren' in Renko

IN THE PAST, THERE WAS A YOUNG WOMAN IN THE NOBLE FAMILY SHE WAS REJECTED BY THE LOVER SHE ELOPED WITH .. AND KILLED HERSELF
THOSE LOTUSES WEPE CONNECTED TO THAT GIRL'S NAME... *RENKO . SO THEY WERE PLANTED IN MEMORY OF HER
BUT SINCE THEN, WHEN COUPLES VISIT HERE, THE GENTLEMAN WILL ALWAYS MEET AN UNFORTUNATE END..
SHUDDER...

WH--WHY DON'T WE GO BACK, IJUUIN-SAN.?
HUH. ? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ?
BE--
BECAUSE
VSSHH...
If something happens to Ijuuin-san...
IF I'M POS-SESSED BY THAT GHOST.
AND YOU'RE KILLED.

IF YOU ARE THAT SCARED,
THEN YOU CAN RETURN BY YOURSELF
EH ..?
BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE IN THAT...
MORE IMPORTANTLY, THERE'S NO POSITIVE PROOF AND YOU ARE STILL MAKING SUCH A FUSS ABOUT IT
DO YOU NOT THINK THAT IT'S RUDE TO THE PEOPLE HERE?

Ah...
NO, NO, ABOUT THAT, WE DON'T REALLY...
RIGHT?

I AM GOING TO ARRANGE FOR A RETURN EXPRESSWAY BUS WHILE IT IS NOT YET DARK.
IJUUIN-SAN.
VSSH
VSSH

I'm...
a horrible girl.

Even though everyone was very nice to me...

Shine
RATTLE
RATTLE
BOOM
WHY
IS THIS KIMONO HERE ?
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

THAT REALLY IS HEAVY RAIN.
AH, IJUUIN-SAN. YOU'RE SOAKED!
IT APPEARS THAT THERE WAS A LAND-SLIDE THE HIGHWAY HAS BEEN CLOSED
APPARENTLY, IT WILL TAKE 2 TO 3 DAYS FOR IT TO GET RESTORED.
OH, AGAIN? THERE REALLY SEEMS TO BE A LOT OF THOSE THIS SEASON.
EVER SINCE, THE DAMAGE THEY'VE CAUSED TO THIS AREA HAS BEEN SERIOUS. PEOPLE WOULD TURN UP DEAD.
IT WOULD BE BEST IF YOU GAVE UP ON RETURNING TODAY.
SIGH...
RATHER THAN THAT, HURRY UP AND GET CHANGED!
ALL RIGHT.
THEN I WILL ACCEPT YOUR OFFER.
knock knock

Rattle...
EXCUSE ME
ERI-SAN.?

HOLD ME...
FLUTTER
WHOOSH...
THAT KIMONO IS...
SLIP

THUD
AH—
!
GENTLE..
BE..

WHAT ARE YOU...?
AH!
LIKE THIS.
YOU SEDUCED THEM TO LOWER THEIR GUARD.
TOUCH
AND USED THIS ON THEIR SLEEPING HEADS.
NO...
URK...

RENKO-SAN.
!!
Shove
!
WHAT..?
Itch...
YOU FOUND OUT?
WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT.
THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD REALLY OCCUR?

MY BODY IS THE SAME AS THAT GIRL'S BODY.
RIP
IT DOESN'T MATTER.
NGH.
LICK...
LET'S HAVE FUN.
PUSH

URK!
IT FEELS GOOD, DOESN'T IT?
RIGHT?
Give me
that soul of yours

IT'S MY...
PRINCIPLE TO NOT KISS ANYONE OTHER THAN MY LOVER
STOP
Rainy day...?
BLUSH...
SAYING ADMIRABLE THINGS LIKE THAT,
ON THAT HEAVILY RAINY DAY,
YOU'RE JUST LIKE THAT MAN WHO DIDN'T COME!!
YOU'RE PROBABLY CHEATING ON THIS CHILD TOO ANYWAY!

WHAT.. IS THAT..?
YOU MAY NOT KNOW THIS..
AS A YOUNG LADY LIKE YOURSELF WHO WAS RAISED IN THIS MANSION BUT DID NOT GO OUTSIDE,
THAT YOUR BOYFRIEND MAY NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COME..?
COULD IT BE..
NO WAY...
N...
flash
APPARENTLY, CAUSALITIES OCCUR
AT THAT TIME,
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
BUT WHEN LANDSLIDES ARE CAUSED IN THIS AREA, THE ROADS ARE BLOCKED OFF FOR SEVERAL DAYS

Ah...
Finally...
Finally,
you looked over here...
Renko...

...though I was...
...always by your side.
AH...
HIS BODY WAS REFLECTED IN THE CLOUDS,
BUT ALL YOUR EYES SAW WERE THE SAD CLOUDS.
That day...
I was caught up in a landslide,
and since the instant I died,
I always...

?!
I..
IJUUIN-SAN?!
MM.
ERI-SAN
U—UM . WHY .AM I HERE .?
I— I WAS SURE THAT A LOTUS PATTERNED KIMONO WAS
THE KIMONO WENT WHOOSH AND
.....
YOU WERE HAVING A DREAM, WEREN'T YOU?
YOU WERE FEVERISH YOU HAD NIGHTMARES

For some reason, I feel very refreshed...
DID YOU...
STAY THERE THE WHOLE TIME...?
So-
SORRY ABOUT YESTERDAY.
I WAS MIXED UP AND DIDN'T SEE WHAT WAS AROUND ME.
I WILL DO MY JOB PROPERLY TODAY.
I—IF BY ANY CHANCE SOMETHING DOES HAPPEN,
I'LL BE WITH YOU!
SO...

LET ME BE BY YOUR SI—

I WON'T...
LET YOU...
IJUUIN. SAN.?
GO EVER AGAIN!
YOU'RE
THE REAL ONE—

TOKIWA
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Eri-san!
Ijuuin-san!
We came to save you!
E-EVERYONE?!

WAH! ELLY! YOU'RE SAFE!
AH... THANK GOODNESS THAT...
THE TWO OF YOU ARE SAFE.
WHY DID YOU GO OUT OF THE WAY TO...
ERI-CHAN, LOOK AT THIS.
THAT'S NOT IT!!
Y-YOU'RE EXAGGERATING.
YES, BECAUSE THE ROADS WILL BE RESTORED SHORTLY

Gyaaaaa!
So like this, my first trip safely (?) ended.
I TRIED TO REPLY TO IT, BUT THERE WAS NO ANSWER AND IT WOULDN'T CONNECT
Since then, that Auberge,
as "The Love Fulfilling Inn", became greatly prosperous.

Secret With Butler BLACK LABEL

Shitsujisama to Himegoto

Between the Lines of Shitsujisama

From the -Lotus Tea Serenade- chapter of Shitsujisama

E-EVERY-ONE?!
ERI-SAN! GET CHANGED AND MEET THEM IN THE COURTYARD!
Click
Y-YES!!
Temporarily returned to her own room
HM?
GET CHANGED...?
THIS...IS A MALE'S SHIRT...
C-COULD IT BE IJUUIN-SAN'S?!
Eh?! Why?! Because I was sweating, my clothes were changed or something?!
Hya! O..On top of that, why do I have the underwear on?!
Eh?! Eh?!
Currently very confused
AND WHILE SHE WAS CONFUSED..
In this panel...
The End

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Chapter 3 "Citrus Knight"

WELCOME HOME,
The Butler's Cafe, "Secret Garden"...
This is a dream space...
where handsome butlers serve you.
MADEMOISELLE?
I, Kobato Eri,
am studying about black tea behind the scenes here
CULTURAL FESTIVAL CAFE?
YES.
I REALLY WANT IJUUIN-SAN TO BE A HELPER...

I REFUSE!
This is the demon butler Yuuin-san.
He is my black tea master.
URK!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHY WOULD AN OUTSIDER LIKE ME HAVE TO
I WANT TO LET THE CUSTOMERS DRINK THE DELICIOUS BLACK TEA I HAVE BEEN TRAINING FOR IN THE BUTLER'S CAFE
IS THAT REALLY THE ONLY REASON?
TH— THE TRUTH IS THAT THE ONES WHO WIN THE VOTING IN THE SCHOOL ARE GIVEN FREE TICKETS FOR THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA FOR ONE WEEK...
Our school cafeteria has super delicious food ♡
TH— THEN AT LEAST,
COULD YOU SAMPLE THIS FOOD?
Mountain...
I TRIED TO DECORATE TARTS WITH FRUITS THAT GIRLS LIKE!
ERI-SAN...

!!
Grabs
OPEN YOUR MOUTH.
MMPH!
IT'S SO— SOU.
Chomp
I— IJUUIN -SAN...?
YOUR LEARNING IS STILL INSUFFICIENT!
We are secretly a couple,
Even like this,
for the time being
YOU WANT YOUR CUSTOMERS TO TASTE THIS?
YE- YES...
Truthfully,
I wanted for Ijuuin-san and I...
N—NO I FILLED IT WITH TOO MUCH SOUR FRUIT...

EVERYONE, I MADE THE BLACK TEA THAT WE'RE GOING TO USE IN THE CAFE...
...to go around the cultural festival together, but...
THIS SMELL...
!
WOW. THIS APPLE TEA IS SUPER DELICIOUS!
NOT BAD, ERI!
REALLY?
I AM GLAD THAT YOU ENJOY IT.
Rattle
SLAM
Jump

AH,
HERE...
KYAAAA!
IT'S SAKYOU-KUN!!!
COULD YOU...
GIVE ME A CUP?
He's a pretty... boy...
HUH? I'M SURE THIS PERSON IS...
HE'S SAKYOU-KUN FROM THE CLASS NEXT DOOR! HIS HANDSOME MAN RANKING AMONG THE GIRLS IS NUMBER 1!

HEY,
WHAT'S THE RECIPE FOR THIS BLACK TEA?!
AH.
EH?!
IT'S BAD TO LET SAKYOU-KUN TASTE THE TEA SINCE THE CLASS NEXT DOOR IS DOING A CAFE TOO!
♡
Whisper
IN OTHER WORDS, HE IS OUR CLASS' STRONGEST RIVAL?!
Whisper
AH! HE'S THE KENDO CLUB'S ACE AND THE SON OF A TOP-CLASS RESTAURANT OWNER ISN'T HE?!
Whisper
EH, AH...
UMM- I TRIED.. PUTTING APPLE JUICE WITH BLACK TEA. BUT.
WHERE DID YOU GET THAT RECIPE..?
I... I THOUGHT OF IT MYSELF...
FREEZE
I SEE!

IF THAT'S THE CASE,
THEN...
MARRY ME.
EH?!
KYAAAA!
KYAAAA!
KYAAAA!
KYAAAA!
AH?
UMM...
I—I HAVE WORK, SO...
DASH
AH, HEY...

E—
ERI-SAN,
WE HAVE A BIG PROBLEM.
Ba-dump
Ba-dump
Ba-dump
The incident was shocking enough to be bad for my heart...
What...
What happened...?
B
A
M
ERI!
I'VE COME TO PICK YOU UP.
SA—
SAKYOU
-KUN?!

WH—WHY ARE YOU HERE...?
SORRY, ERI.
SAKYOU-KUN REQUESTED IT FROM US! ♡
AH.
UM . THIS IS A PROBLEM...
WHOOSH
DO YOU HAVE SOME BUSINESS WITH OUR STAFF MEMBER, YOUNG MASTER?

I HAVE COME...
TO MAKE ERI MY BRIDE, NO?
EHHHH?!
NO. UM, IJUUIN-SAN, THIS IS..
Moves away
W—WAIT. WHERE YOU ARE GOING WITHOUT..
SAKYOU -KUN ?
YOU CALLED ME "YOUNG MASTER" ?
YOU ARE TAKING ME TOO LIGHTLY
HEH...
Slip...

THUD
THAN YOU CAN!
I CAN...
MAKE ERI FEEL HAPPIER...
VSSSSH
VSSSSH
TOUCH
TOUCH

GRAPEFRUIT SERVED UP AS AN IRON HELMET.
OOOH...
I'M HAPPY...
IT... IT'S DELICIOUS!
IJUUIN -SAN, COME HERE
WHISPER
WHISPER
M— MR. HEAD BUTLER!
WELL, YOU HAVE SPLENDID SKILLS
NOT GOOD! I WAS...
Shock!
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP

ERI-SAN
IT APPEARS THAT IJUUIN-SAN HAS AGREED TO SUPPORT YOUR CLASS
EH?
B-BUT WHY DID HE SUDDENLY
BUT I HAVE ONE PROPOSAL
HOW ABOUT WHOEVER WINS THIS MATCH...
CAN DO WHATEVER HE WANTS WITH THE LOSER?
HUH?!
IF YOU ARE TO WIN, YOU CAN DO WHAT YOU WISH WITH ERI-SAN'S BODY
○△□※~!?

I WILL TAKE...
YOUR OFFER.
Swish
INTERESTING
Wh...
Why did it turn out like this?!

And so, 1 week later.
48TH CULTURAL FESTIVAL
I WONDER IF IT'S ABOUT TIME TO OPEN THE STALL.
WE ONLY HAD A SHORT TIME TO PREPARE, BUT I FEEL GOOD ABOUT IT! ♡
IF IT'S LIKE THIS, I FEEL LIKE WE CAN WIN AGAINST THE CLASS NEXT DOOR!
YES...
MAKE SURE THAT YOU CAN WHOLEHEARTEDLY SERVE THEM
THANKS TO MR. BUTLER!!! ♡♡♡

THE PETITE AFTERNOON TEA SET IS ONE PLATE AND THE COLORS ARE PRETTY.
THE CAKE SET IS ALSO WONDERFUL FOR THE FOOD CART SERVICE!
HE DEFINITELY HAS TO ATTEND TO THE SHOP!
MR. BUTLER IS SUPER KIND!
I'M HAPPY THAT THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S REALLY LIKE...
Kyaaaaaa!
!
I definitely don't want to lose.
I wonder what Ijuuin-san...
really thinks about this match this time...

A SA— SAMURAI CAFE?!
WELCOME BACK, PRINCESS!
I'LL GO LOOK FOR A BIT.
AH, ERI.
SAKYOU-KUN WAS REALLY COOL!!!
Kyaa
Kyaa
THAT WAS REALLY GOOD! I WILL DEFINITELY VOTE FOR THIS PLACE!

SA—
SAKYOU
-KUN
PRINCESS
THIS GREEN TEA IS PART OF THE ELEGANT SET,
AS I THOUGHT, IT'S DELICIOUS
At this rate it could be bad for us?!
DO YOU LIKE IT?
TOUCH...
Though I don't want to lose...

EH...
AH...
BA-DUMP
I'M SORRY THE DELICIOUS TEA THAT YOU WENT TO THE TROUBLE OF MAKING IS
Drip
Drip
HOT!
Splash
COOLING YOU DOWN COMES FIRST.
KYAAAA
KYAAAA
!
HYA...
LIFTS

IT'S NATURAL.
YOU'RE MY FUTURE WIFE AFTER ALL.
TH-THANK YOU...
Infirmary
I am absent. In the case of a sudden illness call 0XX-00XX.
WH—WHY ME...?
SOMEONE LIKE SAKYOU-KUN SHOULD HAVE A PRETTIER, MORE CELEBRITY-LIKE WOMAN...
HOWEVER,
WHILE WE WERE POOR, FOR MY DAD'S SAKE AND MINE, MY MOTHER WOULD DO WHATEVER WORK SHE COULD AND WOULD COOK FOR US.
IN PARTICULAR,
I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THE JUICE THAT MY MUM MADE USING THE HASSAKU ORANGES FROM THE GARDEN.
I AM... NO GOOO WITH GAUDY WOMEN.
ALSO, MY FAMILY DID NOT USE TO BE PROSPEROUS.

I WANT A WIFE
WHO CAN PUT FEELINGS INTO HER COOKING FOR HER PARTNER, JUST LIKE ERI.
WHEN I DRANK ERI'S BLACK TEA,
I RE-MEMBERED IT
AH,
I... I'M...
NOT THAT GREAT..
YOU CANNOT...
DECEIVE MY EYES.

ERI!
I... HAVE TO GO NOW...
Rattle
.....
Shock
Thud
S-SORRY!
What...
is wrong with me...?

SPARKLING MINERAL WATER
TAP
HYA...
I can't calm down.
What do I do?
!!!
I—
IJUUIN-SAN?!
TH—THAT UNIFORM IS...
I BORROWED IT.
BLUNT
PAY ATTENTION!
WE ARE GOING TO GET SERIOUS FROM NOW ON.

HOW ABOUT HAVING ONE,
MADEMOISELLE?
IT IS HUMID I AM GOING TO CHANGE THIS TO ICED TEA
IT'S BECAUSE THIS IS TASTY ENOUGH!
AFTER THAT COMES SOME EFFECTIVE ADVERTISING.
YUM
YUM
THIS MATCH...

AH... IT'S COOL AND DELICIOUS. I'VE BEEN REVIVED!
TEA'S GOOD TOO.
BUT AS I THOUGHT, THIS HAS A KICK TO IT IN THIS HEAT, RIGHT?
WE DEFI-NITELY... WILL NOT LOSE, RIGHT...?
!
YES...
Touch
HEY!
NO WAY... REALLY?!
THEY SAID THAT OUR CLASS IS IN 2ND PLACE NOW! WE'RE CATCHING UP TO CLASS 1'S SAMURAI CAFE!
WE HAVE ONE LEFT!!

SAKYOU-KUN..
YOU SEEM TO BE DOING QUITE WELL, HUH, FOUR EYES?
Twitch
SINCE YOU WENT TO THE TROUBLE OF COMING HERE,
HOW ABOUT YOU TAKE A SHORT BREAK?
I THINK YOU ALREADY HAVE THE MATCH..
THAT IS FINE.

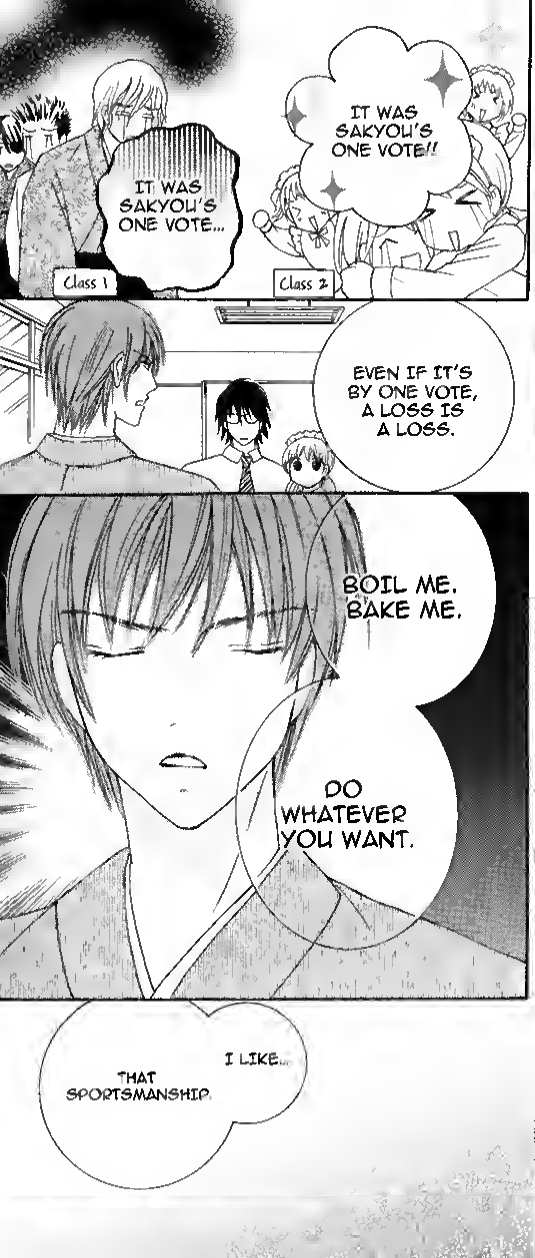
Like this,
I'll be completed with...
the greatest compliment.
However...
Sakyou-kun is a rival.
IJUUIN-SAN...
I THOUGHT OF SOMETHING.
PLEASE LET ME DO IT!

ICED TEA WITH SCONES
THAT'S STANDARD
AS AN AMATEUR, YOU HAVE DONE SOME THOROUGH WORK HOWEVER,
THE SALTINESS OF THE ANCHOVIES IS TOO STRONG
AT THIS RATE, THE ICED TEA WILL ALSO

TH—
THIS IS...
THIS RECIPE...
AH, UMM...
USUALLY, YOU PUT CARBONATED WATER WITH THE 100% FRUIT JUICE TO MAKE ICED TEA, BUT...
WHEN I HEARD YOUR STORY ABOUT YOUR MOTHER, I TRIED USING PURE SQUEEZED GRAPEFRUIT JUICE.
I'M NOT CONFIDENT THAT I CAN MAKE IT DELICIOUS LIKE YOUR MOTHER'S, BUT...

I'D LIKE SAKYOU-KUN TO DRINK SOMETHING LIKE IT...
I WAS THINKING THAT..
IF IT'S THIS ICED TEA,
THEN I UNDER-STAND.
THE EFFECT OF THE SALTINESS OF THE SCONE'S TOPPINGS...
REFRESHES YOU AND IT'S WASHED AWAY.

The ones who are currently at the top are Grade 2's Class 1's Samurai Café and Class 2's School Garden Café both with 160 votes!
This is the executive committee for the cultural festival. 15 minutes left until the deadline of the voting! Those students who haven't voted yet, please hurry
SAKYOU-KUN...
Clatter
I WILL GIVE MY...
ONE VOTE TO ERI.


IT WAS SAKYOU'S ONE VOTE...
Class 1
IT WAS SAKYOU'S ONE VOTE!!
Class 2
EVEN IF IT'S BY ONE VOTE, A LOSS IS A LOSS.
BOIL ME. BAKE ME.
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.
I LIKE... THAT SPORTSMANSHIP.
The results are in!
By a margin of one, 111 votes to 110 votes, the winner is Grade 2 Class 2's School Garden Café!! Congratulations!!

SAKYOU -KUN,
I...
WANT YOU (AS A BUTLER).
KYAAAAA!
KYAAAAA!
KYAAAAA!
BUTLER X SAMURAI?!

"I want you..."
SPACED OUT...
FOR THE TIME BEING, THE PROBLEM OF BEING A BRIDE HAS BEEN SOLVED, BUT
Something like that is...
EVERYONE HAS GONE ONTO THE CAMPUS FOR THE BONFIRE ARE YOU NOT GOING?
SAKYOU-KUN IS A HANDSOME GUY AND HE'S A CELEBRITY
HE'S GOOD AT COOKING AND HE'S GOOD AT MAKING TEA.
IS THAT JEALOUSY TOWARDS A GENTLEMAN?
THE SAME TO YOU, IJUUIN-SAN. IS IT ALL RIGHT THAT YOU'RE NOT GOING WITH SAKYOU-KUN..?
HUH?
NGH...

MM!
Drip...

NO..
OUCH!
Pant
Pant
IJUUIN-SA..
Grabs
THIS.. IS A CLASSROOM.
SHOULD I TIGHTEN IT?
!!
Drip
THIS IS PUNISHMENT.
FOR THAT GUY,
YOU SPECIALLY SQUEEZED JUICE WITH THIS BURNT FINGER.
Drip...
NO..
MM..
Drip...

HEY,
WE WON, DIDN'T WE?
AH,
BECAUSE.
YOU-HAVE TO GIVE ME A REWARD TOO, DON CHA...?
SLIP...
EH...?
NO...
SQUEEZE

AH!
I'LL DRINK YOU...
UNTIL I'M FULL.
AH!
Twitch
Twitch
NO...
AH...

↑He is Mizuki Ren.

SAKYOU -KUN!
SAKYOU YOSHIMITSU.
I HAVE COME TO FULFILL MY PROMISE.
HOW RELIABLE...
CHATTER
I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU
IT SUITS YOU WELL, SAKYOU-KUN
I WILL DEFINITELY...
ERI,

○△□※!?
GRABS
...MAKE...
YOU MINE!

The Butler's Cafe, "Secret Garden", has the new addition of the samurai (?) butler, Sakyou-kun
There's a bad premonition... of an even greater storm... No, a hurricane...
~End~

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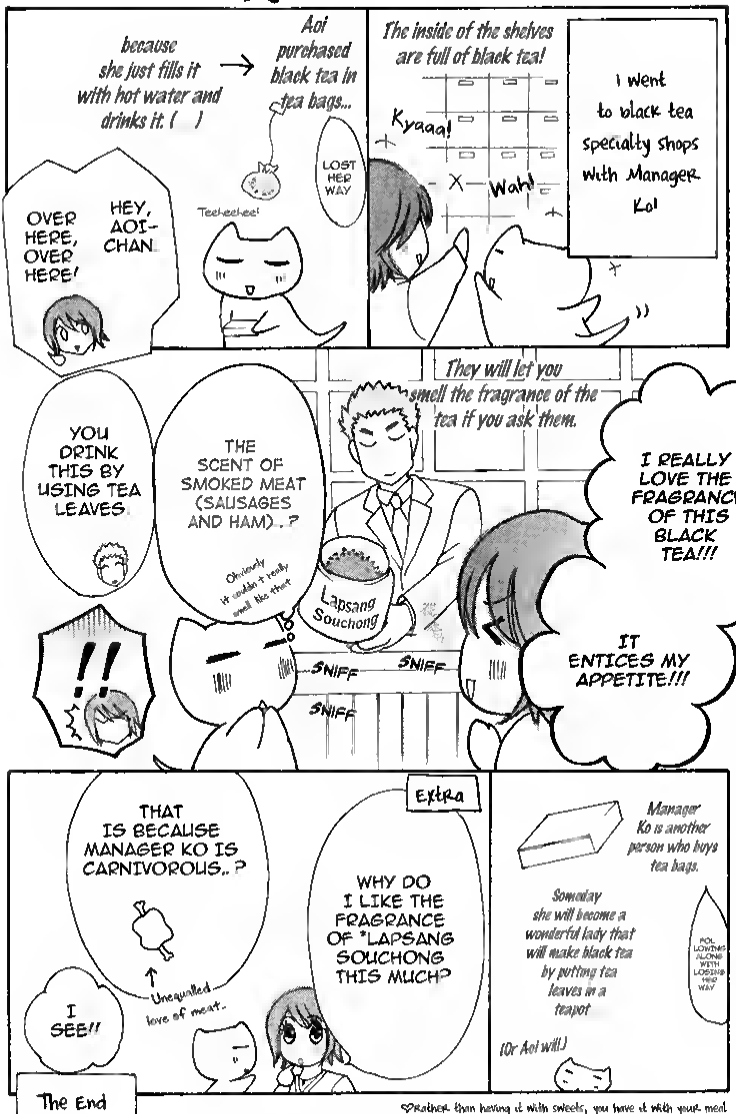
Shitsuji to Himegoto

MANAGER KO


because she just fills it with hot water and drinks it. ( )
Aoi purchased black tea in tea bags...
LOST HER WAY
Tee!-ee!-ee!
OVER HERE, OVER HERE!
HEY, AOI-CHAN
The inside of the shelves are full of black tea!
Kyaaa!
Wah!
I went to black tea specialty shops with Manager Ko!
They will let you smell the fragrance of the tea if you ask them.
YOU DRINK THIS BY USING TEA LEAVES.
THE SCENT OF SMOKED MEAT (SAUSAGES AND HAM)..?
Obviously it makes it really smell like that
Lapsang Souchong
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
I REALLY LOVE THE FRAGRANCE OF THIS BLACK TEA!!!
IT ENTICES MY APPETITE!!!
!!
THAT IS BECAUSE MANAGER KO IS CARNIVOROUS..?
Unequalled... love of meat.
I SEE!!
The End
Extra
WHY DO I LIKE THE FRAGRANCE OF *LAPSANG SOUCHONG THIS MUCH?
Manager Ko is another person who buys tea bags.
Someday she will become a wonderful lady that will make black tea by putting tea leaves in a teapot
(Or Aoi will.)
POI. LOVING ALONE WITH LOSING HER WAY

*Rather than having it with sweets, you have it with your meal.
People are split on whether they like or dislike the smell.

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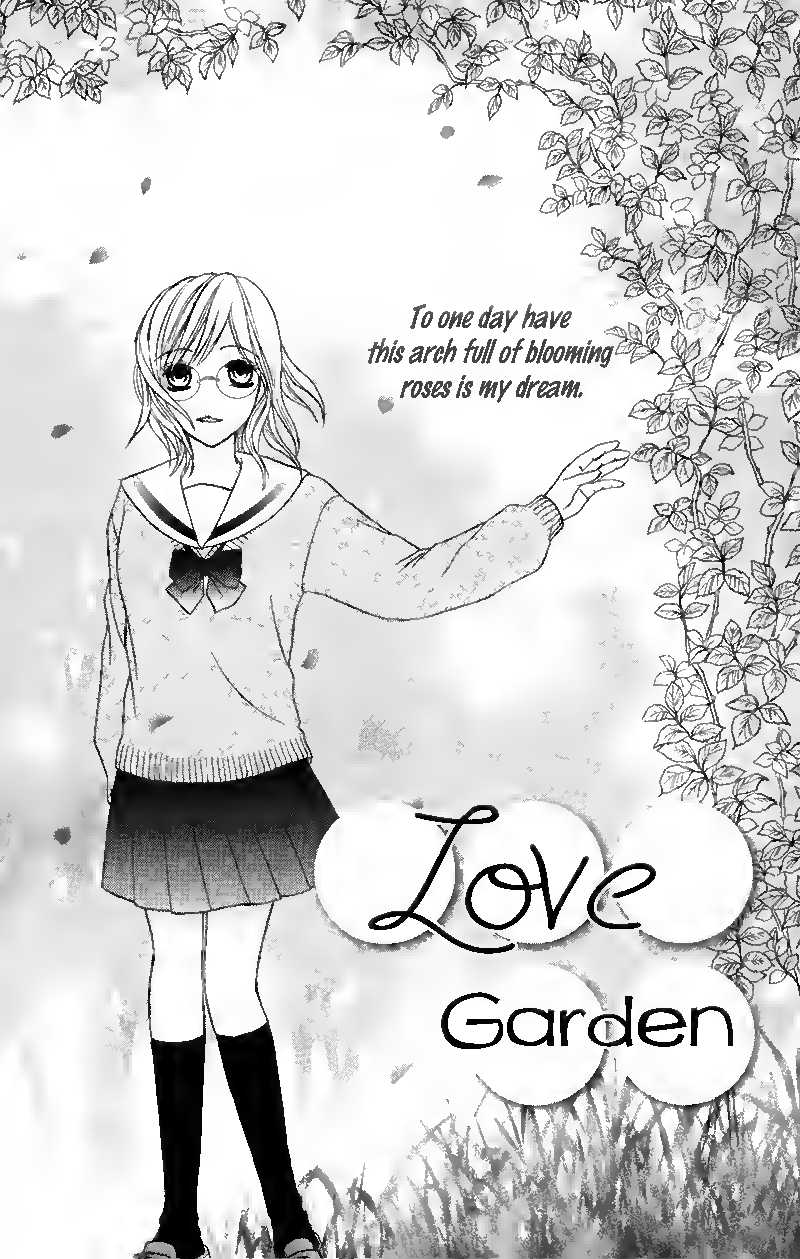
Love Garden
Tulips...
Violets...
Gerber Daisies...
I love all of them.
But the ones I love the most have to be roses.


To one day have
this arch full of blooming
roses is my dream.
Love
Garden

YOU'RE CUTE TODAY AS WELL.
MORNING, ALL OF YOU!
ITABASHI
ITABASHI EMILY!
I PRAY THAT IT BLOSSOMS A LOT THIS YEAR
THERE ARE STILL NO BUDS, HUH?

HEY, WAKE UP!
KUROBARU!!
AH.
*MUSCARI... NO, THAT'S NOT IT. THE GUIDANCE COUNSELOR UMM...
IT'S ONDA
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT FLOWERS AS USUAL, HUH...?
←Muscari
*TN : Muscari is the Japanese name for grape hyacinth
Thud
I HAVE SOMEONE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU TODAY...

A large, blooming...
black rose...
YOU WANTED SOMEONE TO HELP OUT WITH THE HORTICULTURE CLUB, DIDN'T YOU?

Eh?!
SHOVE
DO WHAT YOU LIKE WITH THIS GUY!
Horticulture Club
SO BASICALLY,
YOU HAVE HAD CONTINUAL TARDINESS SOON AFTER ENTERING THIS SCHOOL SO YOU HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO OBLIGATORY VOLUNTEERING, YOU SAY?
RIGHT, FOR 3 WEEKS
WHY COME TO THIS CLUB?
CLICK
Welcome to Horticulture club!
INSTEAD BEING SOMETHING LIKE BEING ON *CHANKO DUTY FOR THE SUMO CLUB OR THE CLEANER FOR THE JUDO CLUB
I WAS TOLD I COULD CHOOSE WHATEVER I WANTED..
The chanko is done
Thanks
I've washed the judo uniforms.
SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHERE ARE THE OTHER CLUB MEMBERS?

*T/N | Chanko = traditional stew made for sumo

AH... I'M THE ONLY ONE.
SERIOUSLY?!
HMM...
HEY,
ITABASHI -SENPAI. IS SORT OF HARD TO SAY.
EMILY.
IS IT OKAY...
TO CALL YOU EMILY -SENPAI?
YE-
YES...

A
HA
HA
HA
HA
I ALWAYS SORT OF THOUGHT THAT THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO LOOKED LIKE AN OLD WOMAN IN THE COURTYARD.
Sunshade Hat
THAT OUTFIT! AS I THOUGHT, IT WAS EMILY-SENPAI!
School Jersey
18 YEARS OLD
THUD
Old wo-
Heh!
15 years old
WOW- SERIOUSLY?!
WELL OF COURSE, LOOKING AT IT FROM A 15 YEAR OLD'S PERSPECTIVE, AN 18 YEAR OLD WOULD BE AN OLD WOMAN
WHOA?! WHAT ARE THESE GREEN BUGS?

SERIOUSLY ?
IF THEY'RE APHIDS, YOU CAN PICK THEM OFF OR USE MILK SPRAY
AH, THERE'S A LADYBUG, SO MAYBE IT WILL EAT THEM
NOPE I LIKE TO MAKE IT PESTICIDE FREE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE
DO YOU USE AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS ON THEM?
AH, THEY'RE APHIDS THEY'RE HARMFUL INSECTS THAT STICK TO ROSES
Enlarged Picture
FOR
EVEN THOUGH YOU SAID YOU WERE JUST A VOLUNTEER, YOU'LL BE WORKING DILIGENTLY FOR 3 WEEKS
REAL?!
GO GET CHANGED INTO YOUR JERSEY AS WELL!
BY THE WAY, *KUROBARA -KUN
NO, I'M KUROBARU

* T/N: Kurobara = black rose

Chili Peppers + Garlic
+
Left to pickle for 3 months..
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT'S THAT OFFENSIVE SMELL!?
MY BACK HURTS FROM BEING BENT OVER WHILE CARRYING THIS HEAVY FERTILIZER!!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!
I PICKLED A LARGE AMOUNT OF GARLIC AND CHILI PEPPERS TO PREVENT HARMFUL INSECTS...
EVERYONE DIDN'T LIKE THAT PART ABOUT IT, SO THEY QUIT.
Pat
Pat
Pat
WAH! I'M COVERED IN DIRT.
DON'T YOU HATE IT, EMILY-SENPAI?
WELL, YOU SEE...

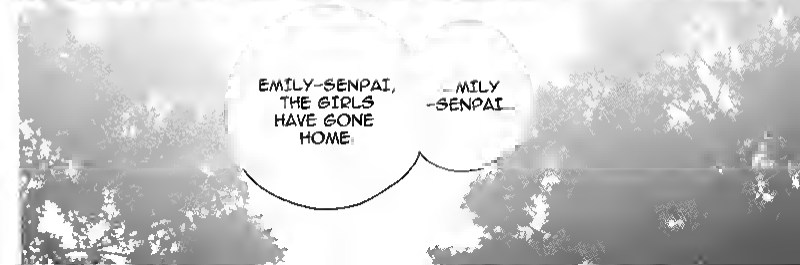
IF YOU LOOK AT THEM PROPERLY,
DON'T THEY BLOOM SO BEAUTIFULLY LIKE THIS...?
WELL, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU MEAN BY THAT
Emily's Black Rose Theory
ALSO, THE REASON WHY KUROBARA-KUN HAS BLOSSOMED SO BEAUTIFULLY IS THANKS TO YOUR PARENTS DILIGENTLY RAISING YOU

EH?
SOMETHING LIKE.. BABY'S BREATH?
IF I'M A BLACK ROSE, THEN, WHAT IS EMILY -SENPAI?
THAT'S NOT IT.
IT'S BECAUSE IT'S CUTE.
SO IN OTHER WORDS, A FLOWER THAT MAKES A ROSE LOOK BETTER..
WELL
AH, UMM..
AH, A BUD.

WH-WHERE?!
LOOK, ON TOP OF THE ARCH
AH, THAT CHILD..
IT WAS STILL SMALL WHEN I WAS IN MY FIRST YEAR
AFTER TAKING TWO YEARS, IT FINALLY TWINED AROUND THE ARCH .
IT DIDN'T BLOSSOM THAT MUCH LAST YEAR,
SO I WANT IT TO BLOSSOM A LOT THIS YEAR...
KUROBARA -KUN SURE IS SLOW...
Supplementary lessons huh?
EMILY -SENPAI!

YE-
YES...
UMM... IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THESE GIRLS WANTED TO OBSERVE...
SORRY, I'M LATE
Oklahoma
Queen Elizabeth
Harmony Rose
Umilo
Charlotte
WONDERFUL. IT'S ALMOST LIKE THERE IS A ROSE GARDEN...
T/N: All of those names are types of roses

Kyaa
Kyaa


EMILY-SENPAI, THE GIRLS HAVE GONE HOME.
...MILY -SENPAI...

WERE THEY AN ANNOY-ANCE?
EH? NO, NOT REALLY THEY WERE GORGEOUS...
EMILY -SENPAI...
YOU HAVE MUD...
ON YOUR GLASSES.

AH...
AH! IT'S BLOOMING!!
STANDS UP
VAGUELY...
I CAN'T SEE IT.
L-LOOK, THAT WHITE SHAPE
IF YOU TAKE THEM OFF, I CAN'T SEE.
CAN YOU...
REALLY NOT SEE?

YEAH.
IT CAME BECAUSE YOU—
HAVE BEEN DOING YOUR BEST
YE-
YES...
SHIVER

I—IT MIGHT BLOSSOM A LOT FROM HERE ON
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HELPING OUT
WILL YOU KISS ME IF IT BLOSSOMS A LOT?
WHAT ARE TALKING ABOUT WHEN THERE'S JUST ONE FLOWER?
EH, WHAT?
I ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE FLOWERS BLOOM
He wasn't...
a black rose.

EMILY -SENPAI
EVERYONE SAID THAT THEY WANTED TO HELP OUT
A-Aphids!!!
He looked like a man.

CHANGING CLOTHES LIKE THAT IS A PAIN.
EHP! I CAN'T DEAL WITH THAT SHAMEFUL OUTFIT.
Milk Spray
UM... THEN, EVERYONE SHOULD CHANGE INTO JERSEYS TOO.
Why?! The girls that I could only see as roses are...
CLENCH
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ISN'T IT BEST TO CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES?
EH WELL, IF KUROBARU-KUN SAYS SO! ♡
KYAAA! AN EARTHWORM!

OW!!
NO WAY. I BROKE A NAIL.
JEEZ, I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS.

UM...
IF YOU TOUCH THE FLOWERS WITH THOSE CARELESS FEELINGS, THEY WILL FEEL BAD, SO...
PLEASE DON'T COME ANYMORE

HEY... WE WERE HELPING OUT, SO ISN'T SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT BAD?
IT WASN'T ON PURPOSE ANYWAY
YOU TOO, KUROBAPU -KUN.
EMILY -SENPA.
NO WAY! YOU HAVE A GRAZE, KUROBAPU -KUN
WE NEED TO QUICKLY DISINFECT IT SINCE YOU'RE DIRTY.
COME ON. LET'S GO HOME ALREADY.
IT'S ALREADY BEEN ABOUT 3 WEEKS
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE UP UNTIL NOW.

WHAT WAS THAT? SHE MADE ME FEEL SUPER AWFUL!!
AND SHE WAS WEARING AN OUTFIT THAT MADE HER LOOK LIKE AN OLD WOMAN
ISN'T IT FINE TO BUY FLOWERS AT A FLORIST IF YOU WANT THEM?
SHUT UP.
IF YOU SAY ANY MORE BAD THINGS ABOUT THAT PERSON,
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'LL DO, OKAY?

MORNING, YOU GUYS!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE HAD GOOD WEATHER
...don't suit this garden...
Since then,
I haven't seen Kurobaru in the courtyard...
OF COURSE THAT WOULD HAPPEN... HE WAS VOLUNTEERED AND IT'S A DIRTY JOB...
It's fine.
Beautiful black flowers...

Over there, the black spot disease has appeared.
It's powdery mildew.
THIS WHITE POWDER...
I haven't been watching them properly because of the continuous rain.
IN ANY CASE, I NEED TO TAKE EMERGENCY MEASURES

Even though there is finally a lot of buds,
at this rate...
I'M SORRY...

VSSH...
FOR THE TIME BEING, I HOSED AWAY ALL OF THE POWDER.
AND I REMOVED ALL OF THE LEAVES THAT HAD BLACK SPOTS...
I'LL TRY USING RICE BRAN ON THE REMAINING POWDERY MILDEW TOMORROW...
Rain?!
Even though I went to the trouble of treating it...
If the leaves continue to get wet like this all night,
the black spots will spread.

Pant
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Wow.
Didn't he...
hate getting
covered in dirt?

SPLASH
HOLD IT OVER THAT SIDE!
EMILY -SENPAI?! WHY...
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
Being stained by dirt...

KUROBARU -KUN, EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVEN'T COME FOR AGES, WHY...
BECAUSE IF I CAME, I'D CAUSE PROBLEMS.
ALSO...
I SAW EMILY-SENPAI PANICKING YESTERDAY,
SO I LOOKED UP INFORMATION ON ROSES.
YOU WERE WATCHING ?
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN
WATCHING YOU, EMILY -SENPAI.

"Why come to the horticulture club?"
"I was told I could choose whatever I wanted..."
EVER SINCE I ENTERED THIS SCHOOL, I'VE ALWAYS

THE MORNING SUN...
A GLASSES-WEARING GIRL...? WAIT
AH.
I—I'M NOT USING THIS AS AN EXCUSE TO...
AND YOU DO YOUR BEST WHILE BEING COVERED IN DIRT.
YOU'RE A CUTE GLASSES-WEARING GIRL,

RUSTLE
KUROBARU -KUN...

I have lots of flowers that I like,
but my favorite flower...
is the finest black rose.
TH-THAT'S TO SHOW MY GRATITUDE
THEN WHAT WILL YOU GIVE ME IF THEY BLOOM SOME MORE?
~End~